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GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH DEPARTMENT OF HOME CIVIL SECRETARIAT ITANAGAR

NOTIFICATION

The 19th February, 2024

No.JHQ/CC-148/2023/2636. — In compliance to directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide its Order dated 30th January, 2024 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 406 of 2013 (Re-Inhuman Conditions in 1382 Prisons) a Committee comprising of following officers is hereby constituted in each District of the State of Arunachal Pradesh:

1.	Principal/District judge (Chairperson of the District Legal Services Authority)	Chairperson
2.	District Magistrate (In-charge Administrative Head of the District on Executive Side)	Member
3.	Senior Superintendent/Superintendent of Police	Member
4.	Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority	Convener
5.	Superintendent of Jai	Member Secretary

The Committees shall do the following:

- (i) Asses the available infrastructure in jails and take a decision on the number of additional jails to be constructed in the Districts.
- (ii) Asses the current capacity of the existing jails and requirement of constructing more jails or enhancing the capacity of existing jails to meet the standard laid down in the Model Prison Manual, 2016.
- (iii) Besides the above, the Committees shall also keep in mind the requirement of incorporating Artificial Intelligence and introducing video conferencing for conducting Mulakaats and tele medicine facilities for the ease of the inmates.
- (iv) The Committees shall initiate steps to examine the requirement of expanding the existing jails and acquiring land to set up new jails within the District, depending on the current capacity, occupancy and future demands of the District and come up with firm proposals. The Committees will also take an update on the status of all ongoing projects/proposal that are pending in the Districts and ensure that milestones are set down for completing the ongoing projects. Whenever a project has yet to take off for want land, steps shall be taken to identify the land for the purposes of acquisition and the report be table before the Chief Secretary, for obtaining necessary approvals and fast tracking the process. The Committees are permitted to examine the needs of the respective Districts and make proposals over the above of those that have been laid down the Model Prison Manual, 2016. However, the minimum requirements prescribed under the said Manual shall not be compromised. Future projections shall span over in a period at least 50 years for implementation.
- (iv) The Committees shall convene the first meeting within two weeks from the date of their constitution.

Chief Secretary, Government of Arunachal Pradesh Itanagar.